

SENATOR PREISTER: Correct. Well, she finally did submit it and it was recognized so she isn't claiming up to the present. I believe it was honored in July of '94, so I think her claim is from...is through...from '91 through '94.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, I guess I would ask for some more discussion and information. I really don't under ...if there's a claim it seems to me it might be in the amount of a hundred and some dollars, till the time when she should have submitted it in July in accordance with the contract of the union of which she was a member, but I don't understand how it got all the way up to 700 and some dollars and why we should pay it. I'd like to hear more from the committee on that whole process and it's quite possible I just don't understand the facts of the case, but the facts don't seem to be laid out here anywhere by the committee and I'd sure be interested in more details. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Mr. President, members, we're probably spending a lot more time on this claim than would justify it under the amount of money that we're actually talking about, the \$785. It...the history of this claim is that it was denied by the Risk Manager, by the State Claims Board. The committee, after hearing testimony of Kate Hansen and her attorney, decided to provide that this money be included into the State Claims Board bill, LB 1391. On General File, this particular claim was pulled by the committee or pulled by this membership. I offered the amendment to take the...take this money out and I know Senator Beutler is confused by this but I guess I'm a little bit confused as well. We've had differing statements from both sides, from NAPE as well as from Mrs. Hansen, in regard to this particular claim, and it...so that's why it's probably confusing to Senator Beutler, it's confusing to me as well. Some of the facts that I can shed light on and we talked about a little bit on General File is that in February of 1991, Kate Hansen wrote a letter to a NAPE board member, Sidney Rogers, stating that she wished to withdraw from membership from NAPE. The money was continued to be taken out of her paycheck. She again wrote a letter to Department of Personnel in March of '91. Again, the payroll deduction didn't stop. She wrote a letter to a number of other people, one was the Ombudsman. In April of '91, wrote a number of letters to the Ombudsman as well as the Personnel Office and after that time the correspondence ended until May